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1. The Chinese Communists have transferred 4,000 x 7.9mm rifles, 1,500 x 6.5mm rifles, 40 light machine-guns, 200 cases of hand grenades, 250,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, and 7,000 uniforms to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) at a ceremony at Nachan on the Vietnam-Kwangsi border.¹ Truong An Luong (CHANG En-liang 張恩良) represented the DRV and the head of the Lungchou office of the Sino-Soviet-DRV Joint Supply Service represented the Chinese Communists at the ceremony. Five thousand DRV militiamen were assembled in North Vietnam to receive the equipment. The weapons and ammunition were brought to Lungchou (106-56, 22-22) a month ago and were stored in warehouses at Nachan and Thatkhe.
2. The Chinese Communist 4 Field Army maintains a liaison office at Tan Trao, 56 li north of Hanoi.
3. On 1 June the Sino-Soviet-DRV Joint Supply Service expanded its installations at Lungchou. On 5 June the Lungchou headquarters was moved to the former French Consulate and 14 new employees, including 3 DRV cadre members, were added. The office has assumed control of two warehouses formerly belonging to the 2 Field Army in Lungchou, and it now has a total of six warehouses, containing chiefly food and clothing but little arms and ammunition, near Lungchou. The Kwangsi Military District Command has placed the vessels YUN CHU (運珠), HAI MA (海馬), SSU CHIANG (驛強), and SSU TE (驛德), under the control of the Lungchou office.
4. CHUANG T'ien (莊田), commander of the Kwangsi-Yunnan Border District Column, has been appointed vice commander of the Chinese Communist Aid DRV Move.² CHUANG and his staff attended a Sino-DRV military conference at Dong Dang (106-42, 21-56) on 30 May. After inspecting the battle area from 3 to 12 June, CHUANG returned to Kwangsi. Five thousand of CHUANG's troops are proceeding secretly to Vietnam as "Aid DRV Volunteer Corps."

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- 25X1X 1. [REDACTED] Comment. This is the largest quantity of aid given to the DRV as a single transfer, and indicates that the Sino-Soviet-DRV Joint Supply Service now controls and administers aid to DRV.
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. This is probably identical with the Anti-French Support Indochina Volunteer Army, of which CHUANG is deputy commander
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